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To General His Excellency the Right Honourable Lord Byng of Vimy, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., Governor General and Commander in Chief of the Dominion of Canada.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

The undersigned has the honour to present to Your Excellency the Annual Report of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment for the calendar year ended December 31, 1924.

I have the honour to be

Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

HENRI S. BELAND,

Minister of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment.

February 1, 1925.

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III.	Order in Council P.C. 2161, dated the 18th December, 1924. Authority under which the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment may receive moneys, etc., on behalf of ex-members of the Forces and may assume guardianship in certain cases

INTRODUCTORY LETTER

TO REPORT OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF SOLDIERS' CIVIL RE-ESTABLISHMENT

The Hon. H. S. Béland, M.D., M.P.,
Minister of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment,
Ottawa.

SIR,—In accordance with your instructions I have the honour to submit the attached report of the work of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment for the calendar year 1924. During the year the Sir Oliver Mowat Sanatorium, Kingston, has been turned over to the Kingston Health Association and the departmental patients in that institution are now under the care of the association, the cost of their treatment being paid by the department. The department continues to operate nine hospitals with a total bed capacity of 2,647.

2. The number of patients undergoing treatment has continued to decrease but at a far less ratio than formerly. The following statement shows the number of in-patients and out-patients at the end of 1921, 1922, 1923 and 1924:—

				In-patients	Out-patients	Total
1921	 	 	 	5,053	287	5,340
1922	 	 	 	4,014	293	4,307
1923	 	 	 	3,619	125	3,744
1924				3,347	80	3,427

It may be expected that there will be very little reduction for some years to come and there may in some departments be an increase. Several factors are operating towards the maintenance of patient numbers such as increasing age, complication of war disabilities by those common to civilian life and lapse of time, meaning in many cases progress of disease and steady deterioration of health. These factors will as time goes on demand longer in-patient treatment and consequently with the constant re-admission, a maintenance of patient strength. This has already been the experience of the department of the Australian Government which conducts similar work to that of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment. The in-patient strength at June 30, 1921, 1922, 1923, and 1924 was as follows:—

1921	* *		N.9	* *	* *	4 0	* *	* *		 				* *		* *	 		2,346
1922	* *	* *	**	* *	* *	W W	* *	* 4	* *	 **	* *	* *	* *	* *	A- A	* *	 		2,258
1923		44	* *		* *		* *		* *	 		* *				* *	 		1,975
1924	* *	* *	* *	* *	* *	* *	* 9			 * *	* 6		* 4	* *	* *		 * *	W. W.	1.714

Clinical treatments are less numerous than formerly. There was a reduction of approximately 84,000 in 1922, a further 50,000 in 1923 and a further 20,000 in 1924. Here again it will be seen that the reduction is becoming less marked.

On the other hand, due to the very careful business methods employed it has been possible to continue a considerable reduction in the number of the staff. The figure at December 31, 1924 was 2,524, a decrease of 570 during the year. In view of the permanent nature of most of the hospitals now operated by the department and the fact that a considerable proportion of the staff is

employed in these hospitals there is unlikely to be a material further reduction for some time to come.

At the last session of Parliament two amendments were made to the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Act, one dealing with the classification and control of the staff and the other empowering the department to receive and hold moneys belonging to ex-members of the forces who have received treatment, particularly those suffering from mental diseases. This authority was implemented by Order in Council P.C. 2161 (appendix No. III).

The operation of the authority under which the department may assume responsibility for Workmen's Compensation in the case of pensioners of 20 per cent and upwards is becoming more generally known and appreciated and is resulting in the more settled employment of disabled men. In consequence the appropriation of \$30,000 made last year has been expended and it will be necessary to secure a supplementary vote in order to meet the claims already in hand and others which will be received prior to the end of the fiscal year.

It has unfortunately been necessary for the department to continue a certain measure of relief to pensioners. Particulars of the expenditures in this connection are set forth in the report. Relief is in no instance issued in cash but always by orders on landlords, grocers, coal dealers, etc. and the accounts are paid direct to these persons. A supplementary vote to meet the extra expendi-

ture involved in this connection will be submitted.

The sheltered employment workshops, both those operated by the department and those operated by the various branches of the Red Cross, continue to serve a useful purpose. Numbers of men who otherwise would be unemployable are provided with remunerative occupation at a cost a good deal less than would be incurred if they were carried on relief, which without these workshops would be necessary. As soon as it is proved that a man is able to work regularly and satisfactorily every effort is made to find him employment in some industrial plant.

A report is included from the Toronto Rehabilitation Committee. This committee was formed in order to assist those who have not yet found their niche in the fabric of industry to procure employment at a fair cost of the employer and a minimum cost to the Federal Government. While the cost of operation has been somewhat high it will be noted that 162 men have been placed permanently since the commencement of the activities of the Committee.

No decrease is shown in the amount of expenditure on pensions, in fact there has been an increase this year and it will be necessary to ask Parliament

for a supplementary vote in this regard.

Special attention is called to appendix II, setting forth Order in Council P.C. 1653, under which the department has been authorized to provide quarters and maintenance for indigent pensioners. As time goes on it will probably be necessary to make still further provision for the maintenance of men who served in the Canadian Expeditionary Force who through increasing age and the development of disabilities in civilian life, superimposed on service disabilities, are thereby rendered unable to secure ordinary employment. Under the authority of this Order in Council certain sections of departmental hospitals have been set aside for present and early future requirements. This will entail increased expenditure during the next fiscal year, notwithstanding the fact that the benefits are confined to pensioners of 20 per cent and upwards. Each year the number of those making application for board and quarters will doubtless materially increase.

A change has been made in the method of presentation of the annual financial statement of the department. In order that the exact situation may be seen the accounts have been made up to the end of the last fiscal year instead of the end of the calendar year which has been the previous practice. A general

financial statement is given which is divided into sections, each of which covers a particular activity of the department. It will be seen that the amounts set forth on the income side correspond with the appropriations voted by Parliament plus moneys received from other sources. On the expenditure side the authority for each general item is given. The total expenditure for the year was \$51,541,824.82. This is divided as follows:—

Direct payments to men and dependents in cash consisting of pensions, pay and allowances, relief, etc	\$41,570,221	93	
Payments for services to men and dependents including hospital treatment, orthopædic appliances, transportation of patients and pensioners, funeral expenses and sheltered employment under the control of depart-			
Payments to outside organizations not under the direct control of the department such as the Last Post Fund, Canadian Red Cross for sheltered employment, Royal Commission on Pensions and Re-establishment and	5,648,188	40	
Federal Appeal Board	6,120	54	
Total payments apart from administration			\$49,056,179 65
transportation, stationery, rent, light, heat, etc., etc			2,485,645 17
			\$51.541.824 82

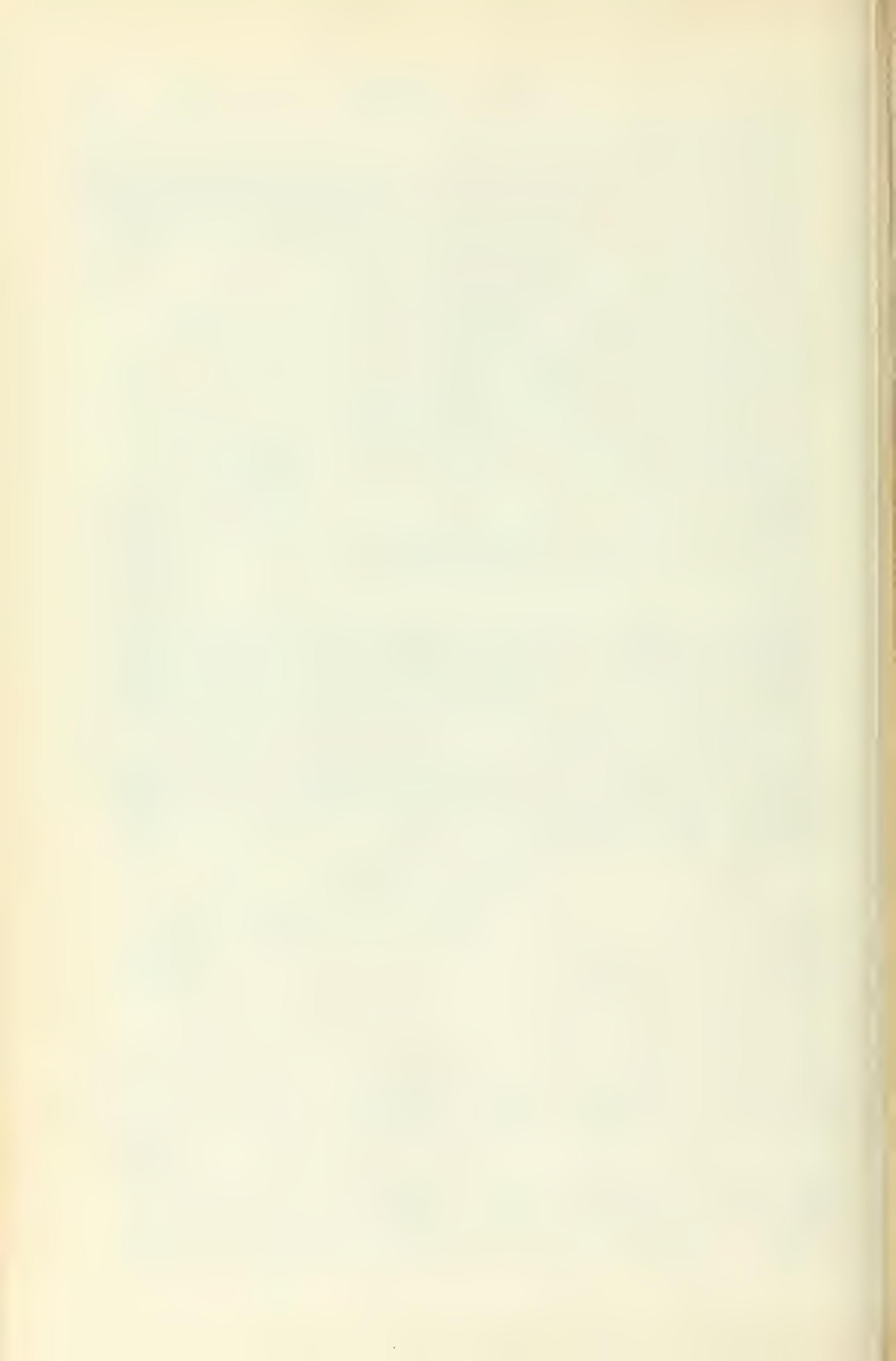
In order to assess the cost of administration against the work done by the department it is necessary to add to the foregoing figure of total expenditure the amount of \$1,574,627.43, representing the premiums collected under the Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act. A considerable staff is maintained by the department for this purpose. With this item included the cost of administration amounts to 4.679 per cent. On the other hand the Board of Pension Commissioners, which is a separate entity from the department, expended during the last fiscal year \$97,523.44, which amount should be considered in arriving at the percentage of cost of administration. If this be added the percentage is increased to 4.863, which it is submitted is an exceedingly creditable showing in view of the services which the department is called upon to render.

I have the honour to be, sir, Your obedient servant.

N. F. PARKINSON,

Deputy Minister.

Ottawa, January 31, 1925.



REPORT OF THE TREATMENT BRANCH, MEDICAL DIVISION FOR THE YEAR 1924

During the year 1924, the Sir Oliver Mowat Memorial Sanatorium, at Kingston, Ont., was turned over to the Kingston Health Association, leaving nine institutions, with a bed capacity of 2,647, under the direct control of the department.

On December 31, 1924, there were on the strength of the department 3,427 treatment cases, distributed as follows:—

In	Canada	3,105
In	Great Britain	101
In	the United States	221

In addition there were 123 civilian cases, making a total treatment strength of 3,550.

Of the 3,105 cases in Canada, 3,045 were in institutions, and the number of out-patients totally incapacitated was 60.

The patients were classified as follows:---

	Canada	Great Britain	United States	Total
General (medical and surgical)	1,474	53	109	1,636
Tuberculous (sanatorium cases)	691	14	88	793
Mental	940	34	24	998
Total	3, 105	101	221	3,427

The following figures give the approximate number of admissions to hospital by the Military Hospitals Commission and the department to December 31, 1924:—

July 1, 1915, to December 31, 1916, by Military Hospitals Commission, approximately. January 1, 1917 to March 31, 1918. April 1, 1918 to December 31, 1919 by D.S.C.R. January 1, 1920 to December 31, 1920. January 1, 1921 to December 31, 1921. January 1, 1912 to December 31, 1922. January 1, 1923 to December 31, 1923. January 1, 1924 to December 31, 1924.	22,742 28,258 36,625 23,591 13,890 10,015 8,516 8,234
Total	151,871
CLINICAL TREATMENTS	
May 1, 1919 to December 31, 1919 by D.S.C.R	
January 1, 1920 to December 31, 1920	
January 1, 1921 to December 31, 1921	300,895
January 1, 1922 to December 31, 1922	
January 1, 1923 to December 31, 1923	167, 291
January 1, 1924 to December 31, 1924	147,675
Total	1,406,051

The number of pension medical examinations carried out in Canada during the year was 34,018

Institutions Operated by the Department general treatment hospitals

Unit	Name	Place	Total number of Patient Beds
A B D G I J	Ste. Anne's Hospital (General Service) Camp Hill Hospital Lancaster Hospital Christie St. Hospital Deer Lodge Convalescent Hospital Colonel Belcher Hospital Shaughnessy Hospital T. B. SANA	Jubilee Road, Halifax, N.S	225 200 100 545 64 128 304
I	Central Alberta Sanatorium	Robertson, Alta	181
	NEUROPSYCHIA	TRIC HOSPITALS	
A F	Ste. Anne's Hospital (Neuropsychiatric Service) Westminster Hospital	Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Que	400 500

Institutions where the Department has Arrangements for Accommodation

GENERAL TREATMENT HOSPITALS

Unit	Name	Place
A		Montreal, Que.
	Mount Royal Hospital	Montreal, Que.
C	Jeffrey Hale Hospital	Kingston, Ont.
	Hôtel Dieu Hospital	
D	St. Joseph's Hospital	Hamilton, Ont.
-	Hôtel Dieu	London, Ont.
G	Port Arthur Hospital	Winnipeg, Man. St. Boniface, Man.
H	General Hospital	Regina, Sask. Regina, Sask. Moose Jaw, Sask. Moose Jaw, Sask.
r	St. Paul's Hospital	Saskatoon, Sask. Saskatoon, Sask.
L	University Hospital	Banff, Alta.
	Royal Inland Hospital	Vancouver, B.C. Kamloops, B.C. Nelson, B.C. Colquitz, B.C. Victoria, B.C.

T. B. SANATORIA

Unit	Name	Place
A	Ste. Agathe Sanatorium	Ste. Agathe des Mon
В	Jordan Memorial Sanatorium	Que. River Glade, N.B.
	Nova Scotia Sanatorium	Kentville, N.S.
	St. John County Hospital.	St. John, N.B.
C	Sir Oliver Mowat Memorial Sanatorium	Kingston, Ont.
D	Mountain Sanatorium	Hamilton, Ont.
	Calydor Sanatorium	Gravenhurst, Ont.
	Muskoka Cottage	Gravenhurst, Ont.
F	Freeport Sanatorium	Kitchener, Ont.
	Byron Sanatorium	London, Ont.
G	King Edward Sanatorium	Winnipeg, Man.
	Manitoba Sanatorium	Ninette, Man.
H	Saskatchewan Sanatorium	Fort Qu'Appelle, Sas
J	British Columbia Sanatorium	Tranquille, B.C.

MENTAL HOSPITALS

A	St. Michel de Beauport HospitalSt.: Jean de Dieu Hospital	Longue Pointe, Montreal
В	Nova Scotia Hospital	Que. Dartmouth, N.S. Charlottetown, P.E.I.
C	Ontario Hospital	Kingston, Ont. Brockville, Ont.
D	Ontario HospitalOntario Hospital	Mimico, Ont. Toronto, Ont.
G	Winnipeg Psychopathic Hospital Selkirk, Hospital	Winnipeg, Man.
H	Provincial Mental Hospital	Battleford, Sask.
I	Provincial Mental Hospital	Red Deer, Alta.
J	Provincial Mental Hospital	Essondale, B.C. New Westminster, B.C.
	Provincial Mental Hospital	Saanich, B.C.

ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, DEATHS, AND TOTAL PATIENT STRENGTH FOR THE YEAR; 1924

Total on strength December	r 31st.	1923	3,744
Total on strength December	31st,	1924	3,427

Months	Admis- sions	Dis- charges	Deaths	Strength
January February March April May Jure July September October November December	1,011 733 717 747 543 569 669 598 704 645 673 685	787 701 788 938 698 587 770 518 754 553 537 551	48 21 26 47 34 33 28 22 33 24 21 32	3,920 3,931 3,834 3,596 3,407 3,356 3,227 3,225 3,142 3,210 3,325 3,427
Totals	8,234	8,182	369	

PENSION MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS 1-1-24 to 31-12-24

Unit	C.E.F.	Imperials	Others	Total
	2,342 2,109 3,022 5,138 3,062 3,658 2,917 3,592 3,444 1,070 1,794 3,109	259 66 98 1,044 404 388 301 339 525 25	33 24 1 62 19 10 22 23 9 12	2,63 2,19 3,12 6,24 3,48 4,05 3,24 3,95 3,97 1,10 1,79 5,72
Total	35, 257	6,010	267	41,53
Summary:— Canada			34,018 1,794 5,722 41,534	

FOREIGN RELATIONS SECTION

From January 1—December 31, 1924

The following is a comparative statement showing the numbers of pension examinations requested and reports received during 1924:—

	Requested	Received
(I) Ex-members of the Canadian forces— (a) Residing in Europe and Great Britain (b) " Poreign Countries	1,509	1,703 91
(II) Ex-members of the Imperial forces residing in the United States (III) Ex-members of the Imperial forces— (III) "Australian forces—	2,351 2,047	3,109 2,561
(IV) Ex-members of the New Zealand forces—	21 41	10 48
(V) Ex-members of the Newfoundland forces in Canada	11 7 47	45
(VI) " United States forces in Canada (VII) " French forces in Canada	220 15 6.356	162

The difference in number between the reports on ex-members of the Allied forces requested and received is explained by the fact that in many cases examinations are cancelled before the report is received and, in the case of the ex-members of the United States forces, several returned to the United States before being examined.

STATEMENT OF PATIENTS AS ON DECEMBER 31, 1924

CANADIANS IN THE UNITED STATES

In-patients on pay and allowances	6	143
EX-IMPERIALS IN THE UNITED STATES		
In-patients on pay and allowances. In-patients on treatment only. Out-patients on pay and allowances. New Zealanders and Australians.	69 3 3	
		78
Total on strength in United States		221
CANADIANS IN THE UNITED STATES		
Discharged from hospital	491 75 20	
		586
IMPERIALS IN THE UNITED STATES		
Discharged from hospital	289 33 10	
		332
		019

STATEMENT OF EX-MEMBERS OF THE ALLIED FORCES TREATED IN CANADA DURING THE YEAR 1924

Force	On Strength Jan. 1, 1924		Discharges		On Strength Dec. 31, 1924
Australian. French Newfoundland South African. United States.	1 2	4 4 8 2 23	4 2 7 2 21	1	1 3 1
Total	13	41	36	1	17

TUBERCULOSIS

The work of the department during the year 1924 in so far as tuberculosis is concerned is outlined in the tables below.

During the year the Sir Oliver Mowat Sanatorium at Kingston has reverted to the control of the Kingston Health Association, leaving only one institution, the Central Alberta Sanatorium at Robertson, near Calgary, under departmental operation and control. Patients are receiving treatment in provincial and other institutions in all provinces where these exist.

Table 1 shows that admissions have decreased by 224, deaths by 15, and the average number on strength monthly by 206 during the year 1924 as compared with 1923.

Table 2 shows only 276 new cases of tuberculosis accepted for treatment during 1924, a decrease of 133 over the preceding year, while table 4 shows that one-third of those in hospital on December 31 were receiving treatment for the first time.

Although table 1 shows an average of 839 patients on strength during each month in the year, table 3 shows that of this number an average of 75 were receiving treatment without full pay and allowances.

Table 5 is compiled from available data and, as in former reports, is to be

considered as only approximately correct.

TABLE 1.—Number of Tuberculous Ex-Service Patients Admitted, Died, Discharged and Remaining on Strength during the Year, 1924

Month	Admis- sions	Transfers	Deaths	Dia- charges	Transfers	Strength
On Strength, December 31, 1923 January Lebruary March April May June July August September October November December	151 123 96 125 90 74 97 70 100 101 121 108	4 11 9 6 10 7	20 8 11 23 16 10 16 12 18 12 18	115 123 104 120 131 120 141 77 111 93 73 76	13	958 961 957 936 929 881 825 771 762 740 733 776 793
Totals	1,256	51	170	1,284	18	

Average on strength at end of each month-839

TABLE 2.—Ex-Service Men Taken on Strength for Treatment for Tuberculosis during 1924, analysed as Primary Admissions and Re-Admissions

Month	As Primary Admissions	As Re-Admis- sions	Total
January February March April May June July August September October November December	16 36 23 41 25 10 26 39 30 19 28 28 26	122 91 71 95 74 64 77 51 77 79 93 86	138 127 94 136 99 74 103 80 107 98 121 112
Total Percentage	23 977	9×0 76·03';	*1,289

*Admissions as per Table 1	1,256 51
Transfers off as per Table 1	1,307
Total admissions	1,289

TABLE 3.—Number of Tuberculous Ex-Service Patients Admitted, Discharged, Died and Remaining on Strength during Year 1924, Treatment only

1924	Admissions	Discharges	Deaths	Transfers to other Treatment or P. and A.	Strength
Strength December 31, 1923. January. February. March. April. May. June. July. August. September. October. November. December.	48 41 30 33 21 9 17 14 11 24	22 26 18 19 14 8 15 8 5 9 4 7	5 2 2 1 1 2 1 2	8 10 7 10 19 7 6 9 8 9 6	66 79 84 88 87 73 65 60 56 52 56 67 65
Total	294	155	24	116	

TABLE 4.—Ex-Service Men on Strength for Treatment for Tuberculosis on December 31, 1924.

Analysed According to Years in which Admitted or Re-Admitted

Year in which taken on strength	As Primary Admissions	As Re- Admissions	Totals
1918 (After April 1)	20 14	1 9 17 30 97 376	21 23 29 66 160 489
Total on strength December 31, 1924		530 66-84%	793 100%

TABLE 5.—Computed Number of Ex-Service Men Taken on Strength for Treatment for Tuberculosis Previous to December 31, 1924, and of those still Alive on that Date

Patients taken on strength for treatment for Tuberculosis to December	11,016
31, 1924. Tuberculosis patients struck off strength by death to December 31, 1924 1,848 Tuberculosis patients who died as pensioners not on treatment strength	11,010
to December 31, 1924	
Total patients taken on strength for treatment for tuberculosis, who died as pensioners or as patients, to December 31, 1924	2,298
Total patients taken on strength for treatment for tuberculosis and who were still alive December 31, 1924.	8,718

NEUROPSYCHIATRIC SERVICE

TABLE No. 1.—Number of Neuropsychiatric Cases Reported Since Beginning of War until December 31, 1924

Neuroses	6.740
Psychoses and defect	3,776
Epilepsy	829
Head injury	1,293
Organic-neurological (including peripheral)	982
Alconolics, drug habitues, undestrables	201
	13 077

TABLE 2.—Admissions Departmental Neuropsychiatric Hospitals, 1924

	Westm	ninster	Ste. Anne's		
	Voluntary	Commit- ment	Voluntary	Commit- ment	
January February March April May June July August September October November December	20 17 6 13 13 7 13 11 6 12 7 6	202031110212	13 5 6 12 19 9 8 9 16 16 11 9		
	14	[1]	136		
	Per cen	Per cent, 89.7			

Voluntary, both hospitals . . . Per cent.

93.6

TABLE 3.—Discharges Departmental Neuropsychiatric Hospitals, 1924

		Westm	inster			Ste. A	nne's	
	Re- covered Improved	Unim- proved	Died	Total	Re- covered Improved	Unim- proved	Died	Total
January February March April May. June July August September October November December	6 3 7 11 12 6 9 5 4 4 4 4	21 -4 13 -4 13 13 13 21 21 21 1	2 1 1 2 1 0 2 1 1 1	10 11 20 17 11 14 10 9	13 12 9 15 11 11 5 11 4 5	1 1 5 0 1 1 1 3 2 1 0	3 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 1	17 13 14 8 16 13 19 10 12 5
Totals	75	36	17	128	112	16	7	135

TABLE 1 - DIVONOSES ALI COSES IN RESILEN E MONIBLE, DI LING ICH WESTMINSTER HOSTING

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar	April	May	Jane	July	-Nez	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	1
Primary mental defect Epilepsy Cerebro-spinal syphilis Dementia priocox Neurosis Alcoholism Druz Habit Surgicid Others	32 0 24 262 36 1 3 40	34 24 27 3 1 1 0 35	32 29 24 270 38 1 2	32 272 3× 1	26 23 270 1 32	32 26 23 17:1 3× 1	31 25 279 31 1 1 0	27 24 26 30 41 1 1 24	30 30 35 275 41 0 1 0 24	3 3 3 7 7 27	25 25 41 0 25	30 27 25 281 40 1 2 0 27
Totals	427	436	433	426	425	422	422	424	421	428	429	433

TABLE 5 .- Diagnoses, All Cases in Residence Monthly, During 1924, Ste Anne's Hospital

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Primary mental defect	19 9 13 225 21 5 1 0 26	19 9 12 224 20 5 1 0 21	20 7 10 220 1 5 1 0 36	19 6 11 219 1 4 0 0 38	18 5 7 219 1 4 0 0 48	16 6 7 215 3 5 0 0 46	13 6 7 217 2 5 0 0 45	12 6 7 220 1 5 0 43	11 5 7 218 1 5 0 0 51	14 9 7 216 2 5 0 0 49	14 9 7 217 2 5 0 0 54	14 9 7 219 2 5 0 0 53

TABLE 6 .- Percentage of All in-Patients Occupied, 1924

	West- minster	Ste. Anne's
	p.c.	p.c.
January February March April May June July August September October November December	78 77 80 79 77 79 72 80 86 87 82 81	61 57 73 74 75 75 75 76 76 76 75 75
Average	79.8	72-25

REPORT OF MEDICAL STORES SECTION FOR THE YEAR 1924

The department has continued the policy of centralized purchasing and distribution of medical and surgical supplies as outlined in previous annual reports.

The following statement summarizes the operations of Medical Stores for the twelve-month period ending December 31, 1924:—

	stock on hand December 31, 1923	
Total value of	goods received during period	73,421 08
Total value of	goods issued during period	80,548 83
	stock on hand in stores as at December 31, 1924	17.374 41

DIETETICS

The department has continued the same policy as regards food service in hospitals and sanatoria. The dictitians are responsible for the requisitioning, preparation and distribution of food, the management of employees and the general sanitation of the dictary department. A monthly report is submitted to head office from each departmental institution, showing an analysis of amounts, prices and the total cost of each classification of food used in the institution; also a summary of the menus provided and details of special dicts. These reports are reviewed, and a comparative criticism is returned to the institution so that each may have the advantage of the average experience. In the Units where poultry taising and gardening operations have been carried on, primarily for curative purposes, the institutions have benefited considerably.

The system inaugurated in connection with the Diabetic Clinic at Toronto is now also carried on in most of the hospitals. The correctly prepared, proportioned and selected diet is so intimately allied with treatment that it has necessitated the closest co-operation of the dictary and medical staffs. The preparation of food for diabetics is arranged quite separately from the general food supply and is done under the supervision of the dictitians. Materials used are weighed and left-overs from trays, if any, are weighed and checked. Patients are instructed regarding the food that is permitted and the articles of diet to be avoided. On leaving hospital, each patient is provided with a copy of all recipes used, information regarding certain food stuffs, and where these are obtainable, also a copy of the "Insulin Diabetic Diet Table," in order that treatment may be carried on at home. The need for guidance in after-care is of such vital necessity that a book has recently been written by the two dietitians who were the first to provide dictary treatment in conjunction with the use of insulin. The book is a simplified hand-book for diabetics, devoted chiefly to dietary recipes and suggestions. It is of great value in the treatment of diabetes, having been compiled as a result of the successful experimental work at the original Diabetic Clinic at Christie Street Hospital, Toronto.

DENTAL SERVICES

The following dental clinics were closed in 1924:—

Mowat Sanatorium, Portsmouth, Ontario.

Windsor, Ontario.

Calgary, Alberta.

Victoria, British Columbia.

The employees of the Dental Division now number 31, as compared with 46 on December 31, 1923.

A resume of the services rendered during the year January 1, 1924 to December 31, 1924 follows:—

DEPARTMEN	NTAL CLINI	CS		
	Canadians	Imperials	Other	Total
CompletedOperations	2,321 49,546	3,117	22 418	2,507 53,081
CIVILIAN DENTAL	REPRESENT	FATIVES .		
Completed Operations	6,263	28 289	45	696
UNITED STATES VI	ETERANS' B	UREAU		
Completed	147	62 540	26	211 1,852

POST-DISCHARGE TREATMENT COMPLETED UNDER PROVISIONS OF ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. 963

Canada, 16.

United States, 3.

Total, 19.

SUMMARY

Total cases completed—all forces, all countries	3,433
Total operations—all forces, all countries	62,250

ADMINISTRATION BRANCH

During the year 1924 the accounting work of the department which up to April 1 had been conducted as a separate branch under the direction of a Supervisor of Expenditures, was placed under the control of the Director of Administration with a Chief Accountant in charge. No other changes of importance took place in the organization of this branch.

Every effort has been made to effect as big reductions in staff as possible

with the following results:-

	Staff	Salaries
		\$
Administration Branch, December 31, 1923	920 193	1,099,880 208,048
Administration Branch, December 31, 1924	727	891,832
Accounts Branch, December 31, 1923	305 51	394,832 64,676
Accounts Division, December 31, 1924	254	330,156

The salaries of the staff employed in the Orthopædic and Surgical Appliances Division shop are absorbed in the cost of manufacturing. As they are not a charge against the general administrative cost they are not included in the statement shown above.

	Staff	Salaries
O. and S. A. Division, December 31, 1923.	125	\$ 223,750
Reduction during the year	16	35,783
O. and S. A. Division, December 31, 1924	109	187,967
Total reduction Administration Branch for the year 1924.	260	308,507

VOCATIONAL TRAINING

During the past year* 180 ex-soldiers were accepted for training and on December 31, 87 were still on the strength.

LOANS

During the year 20 applications were approved entailing an expenditure of \$7,986.76.

The collections during the year have been very satisfactory.

^{*}Of this number 40 were trained in Federal Government Departments under the provisions of P. C. 2011.

POCATIONAL LOAN ACCOUNTS

Totals		2, 107 S1 110, 367 28 614, 772 S7
Sub Totals	08 331, 262 76 71, 69, 200 29 64, 91, 261 79	
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EMPLOYMENT

Further progress was made during the year towards amalgamating the Employment Service of the department with that of the Employment Service of Canada. This work has now been transferred in every Province except the province of Quebec. The employment situation as regards disabled ex-service men has not been as good during the year 1924 as it was during 1923. Reports received indicate that there will be a great deal of unemployment among this class of ex-soldiers during the coming winter.

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	1921	1922	1923	1924	Totals
Disabled men Ex-service men (not disabled)	970 1,218	516 920	375 817	296 703	2,157 3,658

TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT IN THE FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE

During the year 40 disabled men were accepted for training under the provisions of P.C. 2944. Thirty-five of these have completed training and been provided with positions through the Civil Service Commission. Five are still in training.

TRAINED AND PLACED BY YEARS

Department	1921	1922	1923	1924	Totals
Agriculture Air Board Auditor General's Customs and Excise Health Immigration and Colonization Interior Marine and Fisheries Post Office Public Printing and Stationery Public Works Trade and Commerce	1 2 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 17 0 0 8	0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3	200002200220 191	1 0 3 2 1 1 1 2 0 3 2 2 0	42133632132223912
	30	6	30	35	101

RELIEF

The amount of relief orders issued each month of 1924 was as follows:—

January .	\$ 55,523 35	July .	\$ 4,986	71
February	62,422 99	August	3,544	33
March	65,012 80	September	4,433	26
April.	50,736 35	October	8,016	26
Max	5.168 91	November	17,796	24
June	3,787 15	December	55,537	75
		Total	\$ 336,966	10

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Relief granted in the various units during 1924 was as follows:-

Province	Unit	Amount	of Relief
Quebec Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island Eastern Ontario Central Ontario Western Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia New Brunswick Total	A B C D F G H I J K	\$ 24,450 21 151,839 03 6,770 49	\$ 79,860 41 4,450 86 183,059 73 56,086 79 4,468 27 4,181 79 4,288 55 569 70 336,966 10

Relief as issued by weeks during 1924:-

		1924	Men	Amount
st wee	k, January	5.	545	\$ 6,219
2nd "	46	12	1,032	12,082
3rd "	4.6	19	1,207	11,984
lth "	6.4	26	1,340	12,418
5th "	February	2	1,158	12,817
ith "	4.6	9	1,494	18,087
th "	4.6	16.	1,601	16.261
ith "	46	23	1,572	14,930
th "	March	1	1.422	13.144
th "	14	3	1,775	20,759
th 44	6.4	10	1,673	17,371
th "	6.6	90	$\frac{1,579}{1,358}$	15,101
th "	April	5	1.255	11,780 14.860
th "	White	12	1,258	$14,860 \\ 15,771$
th "	4.6	19	989	9.443
th "	6.6	26	792	6,842
th "	May	3.	458	3,819
th "	4.6	10.	203	1.529
th "	6.6	17.	177	1,412
st "	6.6	24	171	1,116
nd "	- 4 4	31.	125	1,109
rd "	June	7	129	1,041
th "	4.6	14.	119	937
th "	4.6	21	114	914
th "	Toller	28	109	893
th "	July "	10	113	993
th	4.6	12	117	971
th "	6.6	26.	130 140	1,059
st "	August	2	119	1,057 904
nd "	66	9	115	922
rd "	4.4	16	114	833
th "	4.4	23	112	886
th "	4.6	30	107	902
th "	September	0.	115	1,027
th "	**	13	139	1,167
th "	6.6	40	170	1,149
th "	() - t - 1 - m	27	147	1,088
th "	October	11	145	
st "	46	18	187	1,565
rd "	£ is	18	190	1,670
th "	November		220 228	1,792
th "	44	8	274	1,684 2,512
h "	6.6	15	428	3,636
th "	66	22	575	5.321
th "	4 4	29	698	6,325
th "	December	6	848	9,378
th "	9.4	13	1,120	11,689
st "	* *	20	1,327	14,386
nd "		27	1,271	
th to 3	1st December	1924	855	7,781

BLINDED SOLDIERS

After care of blinded ex-members of the forces has been carried on through arrangements made with the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. The Institute with its services organized in various parts of Canada operates through its representatives or establishes such other contact as may be necessary in individual cases. It is not necessary to deal at length with the forms of service being given beyond listing as follows:—

1st. Book loans from Library.
2nd. Monthly Braille magazine.

- 3rd. Provision of raw material at cost price.
- 4th. Purchase for eash of products in excess of local sales.
- 5th. Employment in industries organized by institute.
- 6th. Placement in private industries or occupations.
- 7th. Visiting, follow up and advice with more or less continual contact by correspondence.
- 8th. Provision of poultry feed at cost price for poultry farmers.
- 9th. Provision of typewriter and Braille writer supplies.
- 10th. Provision of brush-up courses through home teachers, etc., where necessary.

Club rooms are permanently maintained at Pearson Hall for the use of blinded soldiers only, also lodging accommodation for transient blinded soldiers. In September of this year a meeting of the members of the Sir Arthur Pearson Club of Blinded Soldiers and Sailors was held at Pearson Hall, followed by a social gathering and reunion. This was attended by all blinded soldiers within reasonable distance.

Blinded soldiers are, with scarcely an exception, now settled down in their own homes or with relatives or friends and are following trades or occupations for which they were trained. In a certain number of cases original occupation has been given up owing to ill health or changed circumstances while in others opportunities have led to change. Listed below will be found occupational divisions with stated number of men following each line mentioned.

During the year the death of two blinded soldiers has been reported. This

brings the number of blinded soldier deaths up to ten.

TABLE SHOWING OCCUPATIONS OF BLINDED SOLDIERS

Boot repairing and matmaking	. 3
Broom making,	. 0
Book agent	. 2
In business for themselves	
Employed with business firms	
Employed with Canadian National Institute for the Blind	. 1
Commercial salesman	1
Commercial salesman Farming	5
	and the same of th
General secretary	
Instructor in Braile stenography	
Insurance	
Joinery	4
Massage	. 19
Matmaking and netting	. 5
Osteopathy	. 2
Piano tuning.	. 2
Poultry farming, netting, etc	. 16
Reed articles, rattan work, netting	. 31
Returned to former occupations	4
Stenographer with business firms	1
Stangarapher with covernment	Ĝ
Stenographer with government	1
Translating and teaching Prench	07
Unable, unwilling or waiting for work	. 27
Retired on account of ill health or other reasons	
Deceased	. 10
	-
	165

Of the above classified list 125 are resident in Canada, 29 in England, 1 in Belgium, 1 in France and 2 in the United States.

SHELTERED EMPLOYMENT

Workshops are still operated by the Red Cross Society in Halifax, St. John, N.B., Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver and Victoria under the agreement cutlined in last year's report. Little change in organization has taken place, but the Montreal shop has removed to larger and better equipped premises.

The department is taking over the operation of the St. John workshop on

January 1, 1925.

The department still continues to operate Veteraft shops at Toronto, Hamilton, Kingston, and London. Owing to the necessity of vacating the Scott Barracks at Hamilton the shop and sub-unit office staff were moved to the Sanford building on February 7, 1924. After careful investigation it was found to be desirable and economical to move the Toronto shop also. A new one-story building 60 feet by 100 feet was constructed at Christie Street Hospital; it was occupied on December 1, 1924, in addition to taking over part of the O. and S. A. Factory and an unoccupied building. This centralizes all the department's activities in Toronto and affords excellent shop accommodation.

On the whole the workshops have made a very good showing, more particularly when the difficulties due to the prevailing industrial depression are taken into consideration. They are all becoming firmly established in the community and receiving good support.

The need of some provision of this nature was closely examined into by the Ralston Commission and favourably reported on. A number of the men have shown marked improvement and are fit for outside employment, but satis-

factory placements are hard to secure.

Arrangements were again effected whereby the department secured the manufacture of the poppies and wreaths for Armistice Day. Orders were secured for practically the whole Dominion and in the case of British Columbia, Manitoba, Quebec, Ontario, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick the poppies were made in the provincial workshops. In Alberta and Saskatchewan, where no workshops are operated, the work was given to disabled veterans through an arrangement with the unit offices.

The number of men on strength as at December 31, 1924, was 346, dis-

tributed as follows:-

Red Cross Workshops-		Departmental Workshops-	
Halifax	20	Toronto	99
St. John, N.B	22	Hamilton	35
Montreal	32	London	18
Winnipeg	40	Kingston	11
Vancouver	37		
Victoria	32		

Since provision was first made for the care of this class 1,053 men have been struck off the strength of the shops, of whom approximately 50 per cent have gone to regular employment, or owing to increase of pension, etc., have taken their discharge from the shops.

The average cost per man per month based on returns for the past year

for all shops is \$30.78.

RETURNED SOLDIERS' INSURANCE DIVISION

The latest date to which applications for insurance under the Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act could be received was September 1, 1923. The work of issuing policies has, therefore, now ceased. The principal work of the division is now concerned in the receiving of premiums and the paying of claims. There is a considerable volume of work, however, entailed in these activities, as an average of twenty thousand remittances are received each month, and during the calendar year just closed 267 claims were received for a policy value of \$687,500.

The settlement of death claims entails the most careful supervision, as many legal points are constantly arising. Many policies have now carned the

right to cash values or extended term insurance, and by September. 1925, all policies will have earned these privileges.

To date 211 have surrendered their policies for cash.

The income received from premiums has been more than sufficient to meet all claims, and it is anticipated that this condition will continue for some years to come.

STATEMENT FOR PERIOD JANUARY 1, TO DECEMBER 31, 1924

Policies		
Surrendered for cash	. 14 403	\$ 605,000 00 7,516 00 1,015,500 00 21,625 00
Death Claims		
Policy value of death claims to December 1923	. 723 . 267	\$ 2,253,000 00 687,500 00
Total value of death claims to December 31, 1924	. 990	2,940,500 00
Settled by cash payment or annuity December 1923 Settled by cash payment or annuity JanDec. 1924		\$ 1,652,220 17 598,452 94
	681	\$ 2,250,673 11
Insurance cancelled by Section 10 R.S.I. Act, December 1923 Insurance cancelled by Section 10 R.S.I. Act, JanDec. 1924		\$ 419,779 83 140,049 06
	236	559,828 89
Claims pending settlement at December 31, 1924	. 73	
LAPSES		
JanDec. 1924		\$25,305,500 00
Re-instatements		
To December 1923	44,000 00 87,000 00	\$14,931,000 00
Net lapses		
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE		
Balance as at December 31, 1923 Income January to December, 1924		\$ 1,696,656 80 1,742,235 68
		\$ 3,438.892 45
Expenditure January to December, 1924		545,045 C4
Balance as at December 31, 1924		\$ 2,893,847 44
Interest from April 1, to December 31, 1924, not included.		

ORTHOPÆDIC AND SURGICAL APPLIANCES DIVISION

The work of the division during the past year has closely followed that of previous years and the twelve Orthopædic Depots are still operating.

The return of appliances issued corresponds with that of last year in that there is again a general slight decrease on the whole. The rawhide dress arm which was introduced in 1922 still finds great favour on account of its lightness and this development of the department is an important one.

There is no radical change to report from the designs and standards of last year, although the average weight of artificial legs shows a decrease which is greatly appreciated by the wearers. There has naturally been certain agitation regarding the introduction of metal limbs and the department ordered two from each of the leading manufacturers in England. These are all of the wood metal type and they are at present being tried out in actual use. Observations made so far do not show any pronounced superiority of the wood metal limb over the very satisfactory willow appliance which is now being manufactured. The department has also successfully produced a Duralumin metal shin which is meeting with success, and the experimental shop has produced a combination Duralumin control of standard type to replace three of those already in use.

The Ophthalmic Section is kept very busy, and many extremely difficult

cases, after extensive trials, have been fitted with satisfactory eyes.

One marked feature of the year's work has been in the manufacture of orthopædic boots. By improved methods of manufacture and the co-operation of the depots a reduction in cost of \$2.78 per pair has been effected.

The average costs of the different classes of appliances manufactured

during the past four years is as follows:--

	1921	1922	1923	1924
Artificial legs	\$ 81 73 97 53 27 55 20 48 13 39	\$ 76 34 56 27 35 15 20 80 8 83	\$ 78 28 54 37 32 48 20 59 7 83 5 05 4 59	\$ 70 99 76 96 33 87 17 81 8 24 4 78 4 78 4 56

A comparison with last year's figures shows a general decrease, except in the case of arms and minor orthopædic appliances. In the former the increase is due to the rawhide arm and the latter to the fact that abdominal belts and appliances of this nature are practically all made in the depots now, instead of being purchased.

The increase in the average cost of the arms is due to the additional cost in making the rawhide arm. The additional comfort given to the wearer is

well worth the additional cost.

NUMBER OF VARIOUS APPLIANCES ISSUED BY THE ORTHOPAEDIC AND SURGICAL APPLIANCES DIVISION

	D	Delivered Prior to 1924				Delivered during 1924				
	Do- minion of Canada	Work- men's Compen- sation Boards of Canada	London, Eng- land	United States of Ameri- ca	Do- mir ion of Canada	Work- men's Compen- sation Boards of	London, Eng- land	United States of Amer- ica	Total	
Legs (all types) Arms all types Orthopaedic boots Peg legs Optical supplies	32,118	36	333 45 475 132	103 9 12×	51	23 29 25 18		41 84 11	8,327 2,691 38,170} 1,456 22,112	
Minor orthopaedic appliances Repairs to less Repairs to arms Repairs to boots	72,712 30,007 2,953 35,056	477 70 33	2, 40× 821 40 197	441	20,639	254 38 19 2	2523	302	97,515} 37,498 3,507 41,616	
Repairs to all other appliances Total	8,735 212,377		4,684		1,116 42,5113	446	610}	635	10,119 263,052	

PAY AND PENSIONS DIVISION

The functions of this division have not changed materially during the past year. The most important alteration was the transfer of the Pensions Administration Section (whose function was to give effect to the decisions of the Board of Pension Commissioners) to the Accounts Division when that division came under the jurisdiction of the Director of Administration. This transfer naturally decreased the staff and the monthly pay-roll. On December 31, 1923, the number of staff was 41 and the total monthly pay-roll \$3,675. On December 31, 1924, the number of staff was 14 and the total monthly pay-roll \$1,550.

CHAPLAIN SERVICES

Religious work in the hospitals and visitation of the sick, whether in hospital or in their homes, has been maintained by the chaplain services. At present one full-time and fifteen part-time chaplains take care of this work. This is a reduction of three part-time chaplains over the preceding year. The total cost for chaplain services at present is \$9,470 per year. The Canadian Red Cross, the Y.M.C.A., and kindred organizations have carried on their work in providing recreation and entertainment for the patients in the hospitals during the past year.

ASSISTANCE FOR RETURN OF EX-MEMBERS OF THE FORCES TO BRITISH ISLES

The Parliamentary Committee on Pensions and Soldiers' Re-establishment recommended that in special cases assistance should be granted to men who were patients of the department to enable them to return to their own people overseas. During the past year authority was granted in the following case:—

P.C. 281-1940, dated October the 31st, 1924, authorized transportation to Lt. Thomas Stephens, his wife and child, from Montreal to England. This was given effect to and carried out in December, 1924.

INVESTIGATION SECTION

During the year 1924 investigations have been carried out by the Investigation Section as follows:—

Social Service Reports regarding orphan children to the number of 600.

Investigations concerning widows and children and dependent parents approximately 5,000.

Investigations concerning the dependants of disability pensioners approxi-

mately 200.

Other investigations to the number of 50 have been carried out at the

request of the Australian Government.

As a result of the investigations carried out the Board of Pension Commissioners have been enabled to decide whether pension shall be awarded, continued, cancelled, increased or decreased. The nature of other investigations was to ascertain whether pension is properly applied for the care of such children as are in receipt of pension. New claims received have also required investigation. Inquiry was necessary in many cases to ascertain whether widows had remarried or not. Inquiry was also carried out as to whether guardians were expending pension moneys wisely for the care of children entrusted to them or not. Investigations were conducted concerning the condition of pensioners claiming additional pension for alleged dependents. Complaints made concerning disability pensioners who are not supporting their dependents are also inquired into.

Inquiry is also made into claims made by dependents in cases where it is shown that the death of an ex-member of the Forces, or pensioner, is attributable to service and that the dependents are eligible for pension or insurance.

The above procedure, in so far as disability pensioners and dependent parents, widows and children and orphan children are concerned, is also carried out in Great Britain and Western Europe.

PAYMENTS OF WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

The total number of War Service Gratuity payments between January 1, 1924, and November 30, 1924, was 110, amounting to—principal, \$13.151.49, and interest, \$2,231.40.

In sixteen cases lump sum payments were made to the amount of \$3,501.65 and interest \$647.84.

Payments to the Director of Records were made in nine cases, the principal amounting to \$3,159.97, and interest \$587.86.

The number of ordinary payments completed was twenty-four, amounting

to-principal, \$2,332.23, and interest, \$995.70.

The number of monthly payments was thirty-six, amounting to—principal, \$2.575 and the number of payments made to the Receiver General was twenty-five, amounting to \$1,582.64.

FOREIGN RELATIONS SECTION

Pursuant to the reciprocal arrangements entered into between the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment and the respective Governments of the United States of America, South Africa, France and Belgium, the Foreign Relations Section of this division has continued to furnish such benefits as were due ex-members of the Allied forces resident in Canada (excluding ex-Imperials), ex-members of the Canadian forces resident outside Canada (exclusive of Great Britain and the Irish Free State) and ex-members of the Imperial forces resident in the United States of America.

As might be expected by far the greater part of such benefits have been distributed to Canadian and British ex-service men in the United States of

America, who (with the exception of ex-British officers) are eligible to the same benefits as if they were residing in Canada.

Examinations, hospitalization and treatment are arranged and provided by the United States Veterans' Bureau, which bureau is reimbursed by the department for its expenditure. Such allowances however as are due the pensioners and patients are paid direct to them by this division. The following is a statement of the disbursements during the year, January 1 to December 31, 1924:—

(a) Treatment pay and allowances issued\$	181,924	79
(b) Clothing for the insane. (c) Funeral grants.	192	50
(c) Funeral grants	2,785	38
(d) Travelling allowances to patients—	non	20
(1) ex-Canadians	383 287	
(2) ex-Imperials	201	10
(1) ex-Canadians	1,011	54
(2) ex-Imperials	564	31
(1) Refunded to United States Veterans' Bureau for patients and	00 =04	0.0
pensioners (travelling allowances)	23,764	26
Total \$	210,913	87

IMPERIAL PENSIONS DIVISION

During the present year a net increase of 586 pensioners is shown in the following table:—

	Number as at 31, 12, 23	Number taken on during year	Number struck off during year	Number as at 31, 12, 24
 Officers and dependents of officers and Royal Irish Constabulary. Disability pensioners at British rates residing in Canada 	0 00 1	1,901	1,400	3,105
and the United States	6,911	1,437	1,676	*6,672
 Disability pensioners at Canadian rates residing in Canada and the United States. Widows and dependents at British rates residing in Canada 	1,316		102	1,291
and the United States	4,457	796	553	4,700
5. Widows and dependents at Canadian rates residing in Canada and the United States	350	14	19	345
6. Service pensioners and army reserve residing in Canada and the United States	1,324	305	131	1,498
7. Naval Service and pre-war disability pensioners residing in Canada and the United States	1,226 214	282	358 12	1,150 227
Totals	18,402	4,837	4,251	15,558

Of this number 2,824 reside in the United States.

In the "Awards Section" the work has remained practically stationary except that the number of pension medical examinations has been reduced from 8.197 to 6.481; this being explained by the system of Final Awards mentioned in the report for the year 1923.

AWARDS MADE

Canadian new awards	48
Canadian renewal awards	1,177
Canadian final payments	13
Amended awards	241
Imperial renewal awards	3,629
Imperial interim awards	811
"No payment" awards (Art. 9 pre-war disability etc.)	559
Officers' interim awards	8
Comparative rates for election	43
	6,529
Final awards recommended	502

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ENTITLEMENT APPEALS

Appeals prepared for Entitlement Appeals Tribunal-London, England..

ASSESSMENT APPEALS AGAINST FINAL AWARDS UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE WAR PENSIONS ACT, 1921

	Canada	United
Appeals listed	849 401	447 30
Balance to be prepared	448	417

At the present time the department has on strength for medical treatment 241 ex-members of the Imperial forces, of which number 75 are in the United States and 166 in Canada. During the year just closed 790 ex-members of the Imperial forces have received treatment at the hands of the department, of which number 332 were in the United States and the remaining 458 in Canada.

It is estimated that during the year 52,000 letters were despatched from the division to pensioners and to official offices.

A summary of the disbursements made by this division follows:—

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS MADE BY THE IMPERIAL PENSION DIVISION FROM JANUARY 1, 1924, TO DECEMBER 31, 1924

	London	Ottawa Account
	£ s. d.	\$ cts.
Payments of retired pay, pension, etc. to officers and dependents of officers chargeable to the War Office, Air Ministry, Ministry of Pensions, Admiralty, Indian Office, Colonial Office, Royal Irish Constabulary, including miscellaneous payments of balances of service pay, etc. authorized by War Office accounts. Treatment allowances at Imperial rates to officers. Payments of pension to W.O.'s, men and dependents chargeable to War Office, Ministry of Pensions and Admiralty accounts. Payment of Chelsea pensions—chargeable to War Office. Payment of Naval pensions—chargeable to Admiralty. Payment of marriage allowance—chargeable to War Office. Payment of Decoration Awards in respect to members of C.E.F.—chargeable to War Office. Payments to Department in respect of treatment and maintenance, pay and allowances, subsistence and sundries, medical examinations, clothing	261,357 15 4 2,042 10 9 438,929 19 2 57,633 9 5 25,145 9 6 483 7 7 148 14 1 4,381 1 0	704,484 91
and comforts, and transportation—chargeable to Ministry of Pensions.		626,501 31
Miscellaneous charges to War Office, Ministry of Pensions and Admiralty Sub accounts including express charges and postage		6,648 84
Commission paid during 1924	27,225 4 6	28.157 59
Canadian Supplementary Pensions, W.O.'s, N.C.O's and men-chargeable		60,260 53
Payment of difference between proceeds in currency of sterling pension and par rates of exchange to pensioners in receipt of Canadian Supplementary		16,682 31
Pensions—chargeable to Canadian Government		10,687 94
Total	817,347 11 4	1,453,513 23

ENGINEERING DIVISION

The Engineering Division is responsible for the maintenance and repairs to hospitals, clinics and administration offices. Also for rentals, taxes and water rates, fuel supply, fire protection, mechanical transport, laundries and farm and garden operations.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS

The Department of Public Works upon request carry out major repairs, the general maintenance being taken care of by the employing of general service staff under the department.

Department of Public Works' appropriation, twelve months to Dec-		
ember 31, 1924\$	31,250	00
Expenditure—Appropriation used up by October, 1, 1924		
Dept. S.C.R. appropriation, twelve months to December 31, 1924	45, 165	00
Expenditure	45, 161	00

RENTALS

Premises rented through the Department of Public Works comprise practically all accommodation used by this department.

Rentals in force January 1, 1924	\$ 113,322	84
" December 31, 1924, P.W.D\$ 47,646 60		
" S.C.R\$ 1,378 (6	2 40 001	60
(Made up of hospital accommodation \$ 10,544 31		00
Clinics, offices, etc.)		

TUEL SUPPLY

Quantity of fuel purchased 12 months to Dec. 31, 1924 tons	28,137	
Bonuses paid		
Penalties imposed	4,870 21	
Net cost of fuel in bunkers		
Average cost per ton in bunkers	5 62 6 84	
1923	0 04	

FIRE PROTECTION

Six fires in hospitals were reported during the year but the property loss was practically nil.

Fire protection appliances have been kept up to standard and carefully inspected and fire drills carried out periodically at each hospital.

MECHANICAL TRANSPORT

Number of cars in operation January 1, 1924		23
Number of cars in operation December 31, 1924		11
Cost of maintenance including drivers' wages\$	20,968	71

LAUNDRY OPERATIONS

During the past year the laundry at Christie Street Hospital was closed as it was found that laundry could be done by contract more cheaply.

Laundries are still being operated at the Psychopathic Hospitals of Ste. Anne's and Westminster.

Number of pieces laundered for twelve months ending December 31,	
1924	1,098,460
Number of pieces last year	1,358,212
Average cost per piece this year	02-645c.
last year	02.824c.
Number of pieces contracted for with outside laundries this year	656,397
Number of pieces last year	702,439
Average cost per piece this year	-04c.
last year	-0447

FARM AND GARDEN OPERATIONS

Farm and garden operations and beautification schemes show good progress at the Psychopathic Hospitals of Ste. Anne's and Westminster, and with the advantage of greenhouses recently constructed at these centres, a further advance in the above operations may be expected.

No outside labour has been employed as the patients are able, with the

supervision of the hospital staff, to take care of all operations.

RECORDS AND CENTRAL REGISTRY DIVISION

RECORDS

1. Generally the work of maintaining records and statistics has been continued with but few changes. The checking of pension and treatment pay and allowances as shown in Daily Orders against the Head Office file was discontinued when the unit auditors were made responsible for auditing all authorizations of treatment pay and allowances.

2. During the year a new Hollerith card for pensions statistics was adopted and the pension records were repunched on it. This has simplified the method

of maintaining these statistics.

- 3. Life Certificates which were sent out to all permanent disability and dependent pensioners have proven to be useful not only in picking up changes in the status of the pension but also in securing additional allowances for pensioners who had failed to claim for them.
- 4. The Transportation Section was transferred to the Accounting Group with effect October 16, 1924.
- 5. There has been a reduction of over thirty-three (33) in the staff of the division.

CENTRAL REGISTRY

The total turn-over of files and correspondence during the year reflects in a general way the work of the department. This, it will be seen from the following figures, indicates a slight reduction in the volume of work. The reduction of files was partly due to the simplification of the work of pensions authorization.

	1004	Weekly A	Veekly Average	
	1924	1923	1924	
Total number issued	493,480 225,862 719,342	17,806	14,680	
Correspondence— Incoming Outgoing	642.046			
	1,678,043	37,458	34,245	

PURCHASING AND STORES DIVISION

This division makes purchase of all supplies required by the department and provides service by carrying in stock certain standard supplies for which there is frequent demand. Competitive prices are obtained on all purchases made and only such supplies are purchased as are not readily available by transfer from another Government department. No issues are made from Stores except on requisitions signed by a duly authorized party.

Discounts are, wherever possible, taken advantage of with the result that during the year a saving has been effected of over \$10,289.97. The total purchases for the year, which include equipment, stores, drugs, fuel and food supplies amount to \$827,504.54.

DISPOSAL

The amount of surplus stores placed on disposal since January 1, 1924, and the total amount to date is as undernoted:—

	Amounts	Total amount listed
Head Office "A" Unit "B" Unit "C" Unit "D" Utit "F" Unit "G" Unit "H" Unit "I" Unit "I" Unit "K" Unit "M" Unit, London, Eng	\$ cts. 38,047 08 8,080 25 12,863 19 7,198 18 45,441 03 3,469 35 7,805 86 2,998 36 8,046 26 13,204 74 3,925 10	\$ cts. 145,900 62 409,006 29 249,020 06 185,948 20 780,369 85 261,590 84 194,964 68 148,580 90 213,070 63 396,546 67 100,584 98 2 6 86
Total	151,079 40	3,105,890 58

Transfers have been made to Government departments as follows:--

	Jan. 1, 1924 to Dec. 31, 1924	Total value of goods transferred
	\$ cts.	s cts.
Arriculture	440 96	159,954 21
Air Board . Customs		1.418 80
Finance .		5,707 18
Health In migration and Colonization	6,553 91 74 20	9,29540 $31,92923$
Indian Affairs	13,607 07	326,632 97
Interior	1,242 84	115,430 11
	32,750 55	498,432 88
Mires	18,085 71	$\begin{array}{r} 131,847,95 \\ 221,292,74 \end{array}$
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Publi Works	25,986 12	130,715 64
Printing and Stationery	13,787 49	152,215 39
Railways and Canals	4,323 61	85,722 02 17,579 22
	263 10	963 40
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Post Office	28 50	211 (1)
Trade and Commerce	100 00 209 65	2 5.72 K3
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	118,149 10	1,950,437 23

Surplus on hand December 31, 1923	\$ 86,534 51 151,079 40 \$ 237,613 91
Transfers to other departments Sales	\$ 118,149 10 7,727 10 81,439 51
Balance on hand December 31, 1924	\$ 237,613 91

All equipment on charge to the department was checked up during the year. An inventory was taken of all stock in stores. This includes commissary stores, general supply stores and stores in disposal.

STORES

Commissary Supplies.—The only stock carried has been such as has been necessary to supply the services required for the hospitals. Advantage has been taken, wherever possible, to make contracts for supplies to be delivered as required from the vendor. In order to obtain the best prices, also to keep the quality of the goods supplied on contract to a high standard, it has been necessary in most cases to have these contracts cover a comparatively short period of time.

SUMMARY OF STORES AND EQUIPMENT

The amount of equipment on hand on December 31, 1924:— Equipment	1,493,907 03
The amount of stores on hand as on December 31, 1924 General and medical	0.00 0.40 770
	360,649 73
Value of stores and equipment on hand	125,876 20
Value of supplies and equipment issued twelve months ending	
December 31, 1924	_
Total value of stores and equipment issued 1924	\$ 1,669,837 83

EQUIPMENT SECTION

A certain amount of equipment became surplus to requirements, was listed for sale and passed to the salvage officer of the Government Contracts Supervision Committee for disposal.

Very little equipment was purchased during the year, generally speaking, only such as was required for replacing worn out equipment and furnishings in the different hospitals.

STATIONERY AND MULTIGRAPH SECTION

Supplies were procured on requisition on the Government Stationery Office with the exception of certain inter-departmental forms which were multigraphed by the department.

REPORT ON THE WORK OF THE REHABILITATION COMMITTEE OF TORONTO

BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE COMMITTEE

POLICIES

The policies which this committee adopted and are rigidly adhering to may be stated as follows:—

1. They set aside all political, religious and personal ambitions, and must concentrate their efforts on the sole object of securing suitable and permanent employment for partly disabled ex-service men.

2. They feel assured that in every place of employment there are jobs which do not make demands upon all the physical faculties of a man, and that by careful study of these jobs partly disabled ex-service men can be selected

with remaining physical resources sufficient to enable them to do the work as

efficiently as any able-bodied man.

3. They study the man in a private and personal interview, endeavouring to find the kind of work for which the man is best fitted in temperament, social tendencies, etc. This is no superficial interview but rather a friendly discussion of the man's problems from every angle with a view to best serving him.

4. They study the job from the standpoint of physical and mental demands together with any technical knowledge or experience that may be required.

5. They submit the job specifications to their industrial doctors, who examine every man before placement so that they may be assured of the exact nature of his disability and have the benefit of professional judgment upon his physical fitness for the job to which they are assigning him.

6. They keep in touch with the man when placed in employment to learn whether or not he is capable of doing the work to the satisfaction of his employer and to guard him against any misunderstanding on the part of his fellow-

employees or his foreman.

7. In cases where the man proves incompetent or inefficient they assume the responsibility for taking him off the job; this relieves the employer of any unpleasantness which may be connected with the discharging of a partly dis-

abled ex-service man.

8. They keep the job and finally fit a man to the work who will produce on a par with any able-bodied man on that particular job. This means they place the man on the basis of service and not sympathy. The bonus feature covers only the breaking-in period when a man starts on a production job, and must not be considered as a form of vocational training. Where piece-work is in practice they make up the difference between what he actually earns on piece-work plus his pension—if any—and 323 cents per hour for a limited period. Where he is on day work he may not be able to produce enough to justify the payment of the usual base rate on the job; in this case they ask the employer to pay him what he thinks he will be worth for a short time and they make up the difference between that plus his pension—if any—and 321 cents per hour. When they place a man they have a definite understanding with the employer as to the time required to break him in to the job. The rate of 323 cents per hour is only a temporary subsisting wage, and both the man and the employer are usually as anxious as the Committee for the man to become proficient and earn the full base rate.

In other words, the committee practically adopts the partly disabled exservice man and directs him as a business man would his son.

RESULTS

Despite the discouraging experiences which some employers have had with a percentage of returned men, the committee has succeeded in impressing over 500 employers with the necessity of giving partly disabled men an opportunity to work and of further assisting them to "make good." Employers have assured the committee that they will give partly disabled ex-service men preference in placement, and will entertain suggestions in selecting jobs which are suitable to the various disabilities.

The first month was spent in organizing, selecting and training a competent staff, registering men and installing a flexible office record system which would facilitate an accurate and reliable classification of men according to disabilities, pension, age, etc. This registration is not merely a superficial interview but rather a friendly discussion with the man in relation to his disabilities, past experience, economic needs and social tendencies. The committee considers "Registration" one of the most essential features of the scheme. Total registrations to December 31 were 1,082 men.

The gross expenditures to December 31, 1924, were \$20,737.34, which includes the cost of organization, administration and bonus. During this period the committee has placed 162 men at a gross cost per placement of \$122.38. Only five men, or approximately three per cent of the total placements can be classed as "failures," which indicates that partly disabled ex-service men can "make good" in employment if properly selected and systematically followed up, after placement.

The total bonus paid amounts to \$310.70, or \$23.90 per man receiving bonus, or \$1.91 per man placed. It is remarkable that only 13 men required a special breaking-in allowance—or bonus—to fit them to the job. The gross cost per placement has been reduced from \$173.25 in August to \$122.38 in December, and as business conditions improve this cost will undoubtedly be

reduced.

These men have 414 dependents; therefore, the work of the Committee has actually contributed to the welfare of approximately 575 individuals. These men have been unemployed for an aggregate of 1,355 months during the past two years, or an average of 8.3 months per man.

During the past two years these men have drawn \$13,540 cash relief, and have contracted debts (which are outstanding) of \$13,609.96, which makes a

total liability to the Government or Community of \$27,149.96.

The average present earnings of the men placed are at the rate \$998.57 per year; therefore, from permanently placing these men at an expenditure of \$20.737 (expenditures of the Committee) will change the economic condition

of these men from a liability of \$27,149.96 to an asset of \$161.767.

The General Committee, after making a careful analysis of the Director's report on operations, which was submitted at the semi-annual meeting, feels assured that the results attained thus far are sufficient to confirm the view expressed in the last paragraph of the Scheme submitted to the Federal Government which read: "The placement of men by this selective method may be comparatively slow, but we believe positive. It offers a high percentage of permanency in employment, which is the prime object of this Scheme, and we believe will eventually reduce the cost of relief, improve the unemployment situation, and greatly improve the morale of the ex-service men in general."

ACCOUNTS DIVISION

In connection with the report of the activities of this division, it may be of interest to mention that 192,916 cheques were issued on Re-establishment account; 764,424 cheques were issued on Pensions account; in addition, 18,612 items of refunds were received from all sources; approximately 36,000 warrants for passenger transportation and 3,200 warrants covering freight and express shipments were issued during the same period.

In addition to the usual books of account required to record the financial transactions of the department, a system of Cost accounts is maintained to control the operations of the O. and S. A. workshops in Toronto and each of the

units, and the Veteraft workshops in Toronto and Hamilton.

At Head Office Cost Control accounts are maintained for each institution

operated by the department.

All subsidiary ledgers and books of original entry at Head Office and the units are in balance and agree with the relative Control accounts in the main books at Head Office.

It will be observed that the form in which the financial operations of the department are presented has been materially altered this year. It is felt that the new arrangement will display in a more concise and readable manner the results of the year's transactions.

These statements, with a short explanation as to the features contained

in each, are as follows:-

1. Income and Expenditure, Fiscal Year 1923-24.—On the left side is shown the appropriations granted by Parliament; revenue received from all sources, together with the balances of trust funds as at the first of the year. On the right side is shown the gross disbursements made, divided into direct payments to men and their dependents, both on account of pensions and reestablishment, payments for services rendered such men, and payments made to outside organizations which render service to returned men, unexpended portions of the appropriations voted by Parliament for the fiscal year and the balances of trust funds at the close of the year.

The various authorities under which expenditures were made are quoted following the items to which they apply. Where no authority is given the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Act applies. The various items of income and expenditure are in agreement with the amounts shown in the Public Accounts and Auditor General's reports. The summary statement covers the main divisions of the department's income and expenditure condensed

for reference purposes.

2. Net Disbursement on Pensions Account for the period April 1, 1916, to

March 31, 1924, by fiscal years.

3. Net Disbursements of the Department of Soldiers Civil Re-establishment on Re-establishment Account for the period July, 1915, to March 31, 1924, by fiscal years.

4. Current Assets of the department as at March 31, 1924.

Cash advances made for travelling, petty cash, maintenance accounts outside institutions, Red Cross workshops, etc.

Stores—value food, equipment, etc., held by department for use in hospitals,

offices, etc.

Disposal Stores—surplus goods available for eash sale or transfer to other Government departments.

5. Vocational Loans as at March 31, 1924.—Outstanding Loans distributed

by Provinces.

6. Accounts Receivable at March 31, 1924.—Amounts due from Great Britain, British Dominions, United States and Allied Governments for treatment of their ex-nationals, and services rendered Canadian Government departments—Department of National Defence, Department of Indian Affairs, etc.

Red Cross Memorial Workshops.—Payments made by department on account of shops in St. John and Halifax. Amounts due from outside hospitals

and sanatoria.

Value departmental equipment on loan to civilian institutions in which

departmental patients are treated.

7. Government Department Transfers, P.C. 3017, 1920.—Value of equipment, stores, etc., transferred to other Government departments during the fiscal year, and from date of passing of above mentioned Order in Council.

8. Transportation Issued—Fiscal Year 1923-24.—Cost of transportation warrants issued by department covering all passenger travelling and freight and

express shipments; distribution by railways.

9. Appropriations by Fiscal Years to March 31, 1924.—Appropriations granted by Parliament for account of pensions and re-establishment.

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Hospital Treatment—P.C. 580, 1922—

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STATEMENT No. 4.—STATEMENT SHOWING DISTRIBUTION OF CURRENT ASSETS BY PROVINCES AS AT MARCH 31, 1924

Unit	Province	Total	Cash	Stores	Disposal
"A" "B" "C" "I" "G" "H" "I"	Ottawa. Quebec Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island Lestern Ontario Central Ontario Western Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia New Brunswick	6,976 50 $206,183 47$ $45,064 34$ $12,265 60$ $6,789 86$ $17,081 23$ $19,473 47$	681 24 10 00 30× 25 26,546 12 652 05 100 00 2,859 97 250 00	19,097 05 5,765 84 146,665 78 43,227 33 11,586 03 6,123 63 16,283 50 16,562 32 11,923 88	4,737 75 6,144 92 902 41 32,971 57 1,837 01 27 52 666 23 697 33 51 18 1,894 55 3 49,930 47

STATEMENT No. 5.—STATEMENT SHOWING DISTRIBUTION OF VOCATIONAL LOANS BY PROVINCES AS AT MARCH 31, 1924

Quebec	. \$	7,884 85
Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island		6,596 16
Eastern Ontario		
Central and Western Ontario		61,380 37
Manitoba		13,713 38
Saskatchewan		13,781 31
Alberta		
British Columbia		21, 125 78
New Brunswick		7,556 85
	-	
Total	S	162, 567, 10

STATEMENT No. 6.—ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AS AT MARCH 31, 1924

Great Britain	.\$ 1	62,670	76
British Dominions, United States of America and other Allied Governments	S.	38,007	87
Canadian Government Departments			
Red Cross Memorial Workshops			
Provincial Governments			
Outside Hospitals and Sanatoria	. 3	372,254	17
Other Miscellaneous Accounts		6,007	42
$T_{-\lambda-1}$	0.1	111 000	0.00

STATEMENT No. 7.—GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT TRANSFERS P.C. 3017 Dated 1920

Transfers have been made as follows:-				
		Fiscal Year		Total to
Department		1923-24		31-3-24
Agriculture	S	6,591 34	\$	38,406 38
Air Board				159,954 21
Customs and Inland Revenue				1,418 80
Finer e		:0 > 15		5,707 18
Health				2,741 49
Immigration and Colonization		3,838,03		31, 855 01
Indian Affairs		21,373 42		324,110 08
It. 1 ri r		7,298 66		114, 187 27
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Marine and Fisheries	4	141 (6)		1,550 1;
Militia and Defence		46, 174 84		214, 292 39
		7,593 08		131,502 95
Naval Service		1,000 00		18, 465 64
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		13,080 77		140,476 09
Public Works		-		
Public Works		25,600 52		119,933 32
Railways and Canals		20,349 26		85,722 02
Royal Canadian Mounted Police		435 95		17,439 72
Miscellaneous Department				2,143 18
Total	0	104 044 40	-	1 600 150 60
Total	2	194,944 49	2	1,899,109 62
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STATEMENT No. 8.—PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION, FISCAL YEAR 1923-24

		Total
Service	15	xpenditure
1. General Administrative and Medical Staff	\$	16,680 12
2. Medical Officers, Nurses and Personnel		13,563 98
3. Men called in for treatment and Orthopaedic repairs		59,126 78
4. Escorts to treatment cases		6,903 21
5. Transportation deceased patients and escorts		1,121 93
6. Travelling Medical Boards		2,726 71
7. Pensioners examination		65, 159 38
8. Veteraft Staff travelling		3,463 02
9. Blind ex-members of the forces		3,638 45
10. Men taking vocational training		560 85
11. Transportation lieu of unemployment relief		1,002 81
12. Staff O. and S. A. Branch,		642 45
13. Soldiers' Advisers, Federal Appeal Board		693 07
14. Imperial Pension Office (Ottawa)		99 18
15. Royal Commission Pensions—Re-establishment		4,802 22
16. Members, Federal Appeal Board		2,503 73
17. Soldiers' Comforts		52 47
18. Accounts Receivable		18,106 36
		000 040 50
	3	200,846 72
19. Freight and Express		24,024 83
		904 971 55
Total	6	224,871 55
DISTRIBUTION BY RAILWAYS		
Passenger—		
Canadian National Railways	\$	131,297 39
Canadian Pacific Railway		52,536 90
Sundry Railways		17,012 43
Total	\$	200,846 72
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Freight and Express—		
Canadian National Railways	§	8, 100 20
Canadian National Railways	0 4	5,157 54
Canadian National Express		8,732 97
Dominion Express	0 0	1,815 59
Sundry Railways and Express Companies	- 4	209 44
		04 024 02
Total	9	24,024 83
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SESSIONAL PAPER No. 18

ERS' CIVIL RE-ESTABLISHMENT 1919-20 TO 1924-25 No. 9.- DITARTMENT OF STATEMENT

	1919-20	1920-21	1921- 22	1922 23	1923 24	1924 25
Capital Equipment, stores and printing Care of patients Vocational expense Subries Training pay and allowaners Training pay and allowaners Operating vote Unemployment relief Vocational loans Interest on funds Interest on funds Sheltered employment and after care Substriation Shelteriation Special publicity Special publicity	\$, 500, 128 71 2, 334, 956 64 3, 505, 405 00 9, 340, 623 00 12, 250, 000 00 1, 600, 000 15 80, 452 65	2, 500, 000 00 2, 525, 000 00 2, 525, 000 00 2, 525, 000 00 2, 525, 000 00 32, 464 33	\$, 250, 000 00 5, 250, 000 00 6, 125, 000 00 1, 500, 000 00 100, 000 00 100, 000 00 60, 000 00	\$ cts. 75,000 00 3,500,000 00 1,050,000 00 175,000 00 175,000 00 470,000 00 175,000 00	30,000 00 3,500,000 00 3,500,000 00 500,000 00 500,000 00 35,000 00 35,000 00 35,000 00 35,000 00 35,000 00	2, 600, 000 00 2, 600, 000 00 2, 600, 000 00 2, 000, 000 00 20, 000 00 20, 000 00 32, 000 00 32, 000 00 5, 000 00
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Grand Total S.C.R. and Pensions	30,389,451 75	36,820,876 22 80,243,940 55	31, 586, 359 38 53, 191, 359 38	33,800,500 00	33, 701, 000 00	43, 240, 750 00

Pension Board Staff are included with S.C.R. Votes. *Commencing 1922-23 the salaries and expenses of the

DISABLEMENT FUND

The following statement of loans advanced and repayments made during the year 1924 indicates the activity of the fund:—

Sundry advances outstanding 31-12-23	.S	24,674 97	
Total advances made during the year		117,648 56	
Refunds received during year			
Bad debts written off			2,000 65
Sundry loans outstanding 31-12-24			41,877 51
	3	149 393 53	\$ 149 292 52

During the previous year sundry advances amounted to \$71,280.10.

DISABLEMENT FUND STATEMENT AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1924

Subscriptions						\$ 93,708 70 49,456 56
Face value \$85,000.00			S	77,226	41	
Loans outstanding-						
Head Office\$	32,823	38				
Units	9,054	13	S	41,877	51	
Donations—	·					
Current year	1,214	39				
Previously made	7,717	23		8,961	62	
Bad debts written off—						
Current year	2,000	65				
Previous years	5,483			7,484	53	
Administration Expenses—				·		
Current year	161	66				
Previously expended	177	50		339	46	
Cash on hand—						
				5,581	27	
Head Other .				1,+,*=1	10	
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			3	143, 165	26	\$ 143,165 26

STAFF

The following statement shows the total staff of the Department as at December 31, 1924.

Head Office, Ottawa
"B" Unit, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island
"A" Unit, Quebec
"C" Unit, Eastern Ontario
"D" Unit, Central Ontario
"F" Unit, Western, Ontario
"G" Unit, Manitoba
"H" Unit, Saskatchewan
"I" Unit, Alberta
"J" Unit, British Columbia
Overseas Office
Total

SERVICE CLASSIFICATION OF STAFF AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923 and 1924

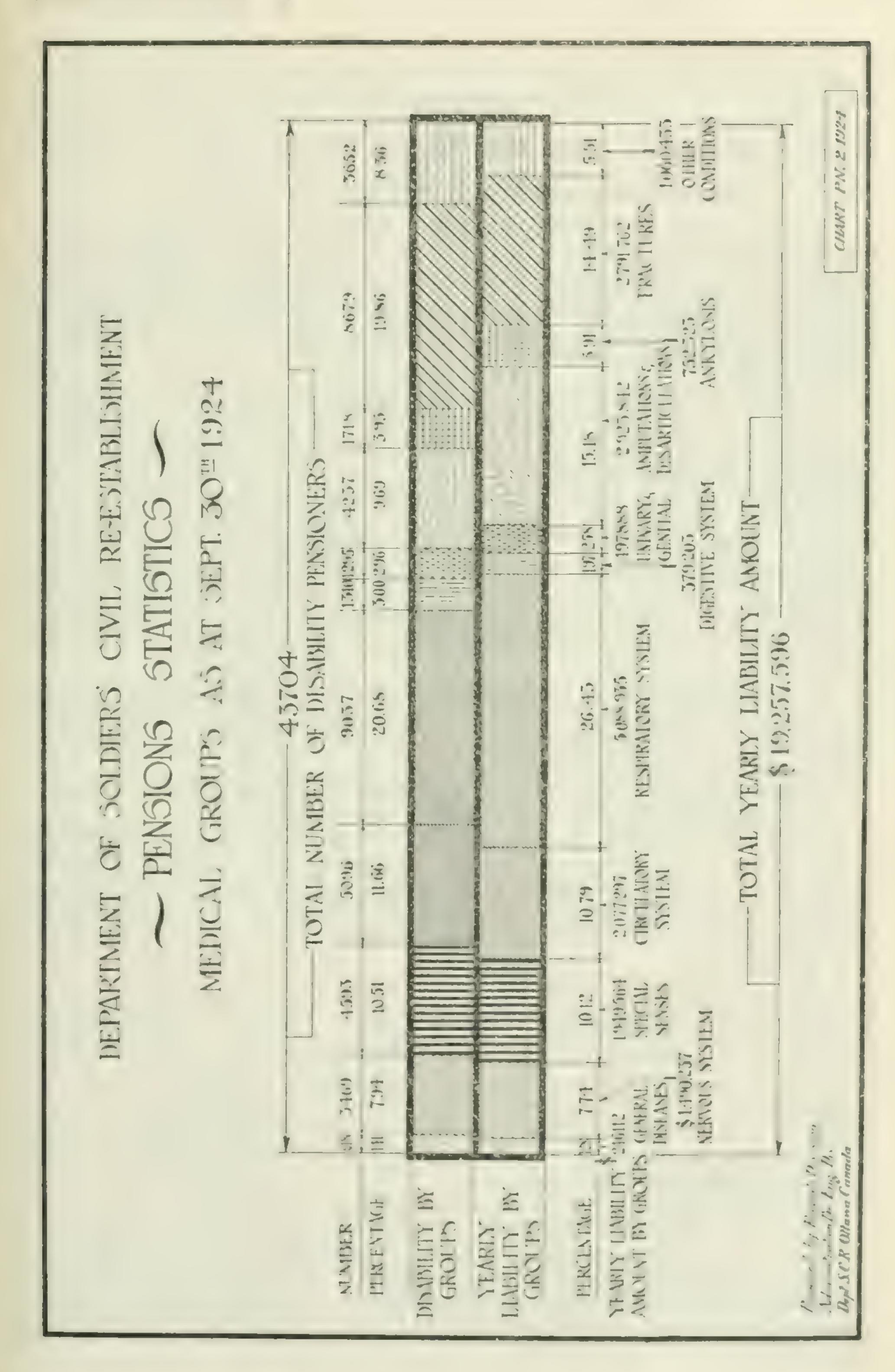
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Service in France. Service in Canada. Rejected or exempted from military service Boys under and men over military age Civilians—Male Civilians—Female.	3,793 470 278 92 466 207 2,820	2,959 552 239 61 238 95 1,635	2,557 387 188 43 180 21 1,505	2,105 146 31 128 26 1,066	1,759 ³ 248 ⁴ 112 27 21 829	1,495 206 83 23 64 15 638	59.2 3.3 3.3 2.5 25.3
Total	8,126	5,779	4,886	3,823	3,094	2,524	100-0

⁽¹⁾ The peak lead was reached March 31, 1920, when the staff of the Department numbered 8,791 irrespective of the staff of the Board of Pension Commissioners which at that date was upwards of 1,000.

(2) Board of Pension Commissioners' staff, numbering 854 was taken over by the Department during 1921.

⁽⁴⁾ Including 117 Nursing Sisters. (4) Including 29 Nursing Sisters.

⁽⁵⁾ Including 2 Nursing Sisters.



APPENDIX I

Order in Council P.C. 212, dated the 8th February, 1924. Rules and regulations regarding the Federal Appeal Board.

His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the recommendation of the Minister of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, and pursuant to sections 11 and 13 of chapter 62, 13-14 George V, being an Act to amend the Pension Act, and pursuant to section 2 of chapter 69, 13-14 George V, being an Act to amend the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Act, is pleased to make the following rules and regulations and the same are hereby made and established

accordingly:-

of Pension Commissioners concerning pensions and appeals from decisions of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment as to the rights of former members of the forces to treatment with pay and allowances and such appeals may be heard by a member or members of the Board at the following places from time to time as occasion may demand: Ottawa, Halifax, St. John, Charlottetown, Quebec, Montreal, Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver and Victoria, provided that if at any time there are, in the opinion of the board, a sufficient number of appellants at any place and it is considered that it would be more convenient to hear appeals at such other place, the Board or any member thereof may sit at such place;

2. The Federal Appeal Board, if requested by the proper authority of His Majesty's Government, may hear appeals of former members of the Imperial forces against decisions of the Ministry of Pensions, subject to proper provision

for repayment of expenses involved;

3. The following appeal procedure in respect of eligibility for pension, or

treatment with pay and allowances shall be operative:--

(a) Notice of appeal shall be sent by the appellant or on his behalf, by letter addressed to the Secretary, the Federal Appeal Board, Ottawa. The notice should state whether the appeal is taken against a decision of the Board of Pension Commissioners or the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, and it should give the address to which communications regarding the appeal

may be directed;

(b) Upon receipt of notice of appeal otherwise than through the Official Soldiers' Adviser or other representative of the appellant, the Federal Appeal Board shall refer the case to the Official Soldiers' Adviser or other representative, who after examining the Unit Office file in the presence of a representative of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, as provided for in paragraph (d), (e) and (f) hereunder, shall advise the appellant whether in his judgment it is advisable for him to proceed with his appeal. Should be recommend that the appeal be not proceeded with the appellant shall have the right to withdraw it or not, as he deems best;

(c) When an appeal is to be proceeded with, the Federal Appeal Board shall forward to the unit office of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment a list of all relative papers on the head office file. If it is found that there are any relative papers not on the unit file, a copy of the same shall be made and shall be forwarded to the Unit Director of Administration or, for any sittings of a quorum of the board, the head office file may be forwarded to the

unit office.

(d) In cases where the Official Soldiers' Adviser is acting for the appellant the Official Soldiers' Adviser shall have reasonable access to the file relating to the appellant's claim in the presence of a representative of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, provided (i) that a written request is received from the appellant that the case to be taken up by the Official Soldiers' Adviser or in the case of his applying in person to the Official Soldiers' Adviser that written authorization is furnished by him that the Official Soldiers' Adviser be granted access to the file, or (ii) that the case has been referred to the Official Soldiers' Adviser by the Federal Appeal Board.

(e) Should appellant desire that his case be handled by counsel or representative other than the Official Soldiers' Adviser, authority for such counsel or representative to see the file in the presence of a representative of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment may, in the discretion of the department, be granted by the deputy minister. The conditions respecting the production of files to the Official Soldiers' Advisers shall also apply to any other

representative;

(f) Access to the file of any former member of the forces shall only be granted to an Official Soldiers' Adviser or other representative of an appellant on his undertaking to respect the confidential nature of any information contained therein or otherwise communicated to him in the course of his duty, that he will disclose such information to the appellant only insofar as is necessary to enable such additional evidence or proof to be produced in substantiation of the appellant's claim and will not disclose to the appellant or to anyone else except the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, the Federal Appeal Board or the Board of Pension Commissioners, the name of the informant or the source of such information as may be contained on the said file.

(g) Should it be found by the appellant, the Official Soldiers' Adviser, or other representative of the appellant, that there is evidence in support of the claim which had not been considered by the Board of Pension Commissioners or the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, the Federal Appeal Board shall be notified and the appeal shall not be disposed of until the new evidence has been submitted to the Board of Pension Commissioners or the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, as the case may be, and a

further decision given;

(h) The Federal Appeal Board shall give the appellant and the Official Soldiers' Adviser not less than seven days' notice—by letter or telegram sent to the address given on the notice of appeal—of the date and place at which his

appeal will be heard.

(i) Should an appellant fail to proceed with his appeal at the time at which it is set down for hearing, the Commissioner presiding at the hearing may in his discretion dismiss the case, in which event there shall be no further right of appeal, or allow it to stand over until another occasion on which appeals are heard in the district in which he resides;

(j) The provisions of section 11 of chapter 62, 13-14 George V, relating to procedure and practice shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to appeals made under

section 2 of chapter 69, 13-14 George V;

(k) The out-of-pocket expenses of an appellant whose appeal is maintained whether by a member of the Board or a quorum thereof shall be paid on the scale provided for in clause 20 of Order in Council P.C. 580, dated the 10th

day of March, 1922, as amended;

(l) In appeals from decisions as to the right of former members of the forces to treatment with pay and allowances, when a decision in favour of the appellant is given the costs or allowances antecedent to the appeal—including the cost of medical treatment and hospitalization and the issue of pay and allowances—shall only be paid in accordance with the regulations of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment;

(m) In all cases, the appellant and the Board of Pension Commissioners or the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, as the case may be, may by consent in writing, with the approval of the board, or the presiding member thereof, dispense with the form of proceedings herein mentioned, or some portion thereof;

(n) After hearing the case, the Board or presiding member thereof may allow the appeal or disallow the same or reserve its decision as may be war-

ranted by the evidence and may seem to it or him just;

(o) The formal judgment of a quorum of the Board shall be signed by the

Chairman, or presiding Commissioner, and the Secretary.

(p) In case the appeal is allowed, the formal judgment shall contain such information regarding the nature and time of origin of the disability in respect of which appeal is made as to enable the Board of Pension Commissioners or the D.S.C.R. to intelligently assess the pension or extend treatment.

(q) In case the appeal is disallowed, the formal judgment shall contain such information regarding the nature of the disability as will enable the Board of Pension Commissioners to determine whether a further claim for pension on

new grounds, may be entertained.

(Sgd.) E. J. LEMAIRE,

Clerk of the Privy Council.

APPENDIX II

Order in Council P.C. 1653, dated the 18th September, 1924. Authority under which the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment may provide quarters and maintenance for indigent pensioners.

The Committee of the Privy Council have had before them a report, dated September 16, 1924, from the Minister of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, submitting that from time to time the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment is called upon to deal with former members of the forces who have been awarded pension for less than their total disability, as only a part thereof is attributable to service, but who, due to the effect of the non-pensionable portion of their disability, are in need of treatment or merely quarters and maintenance. The disability from which they suffer does not require active hospitalization and is incurable in nature. As time goes on such pensioners will become more numerous, due largely to increasing age.

The matter was considered by the Parliamentary Committee on Pensions, Soldiers' Insurance and Re-establishment, which met in 1922. The following

extract is taken from the report of that Committee:-

"Under legislation as now existing, the Department has no general authority to provide treatment except with full pay and allowances. That being the case, it would seem clear that it cannot provide continuous care for the cases under discussion to which, under other circumstances, if legislation was provided, care might be given. It is felt that the Government would be meeting its obligations were such cases to be provided with whatever care or treatment each requires, and rather than pay each one full pay and allowances, to grant medical treatment subject to a continuation of the pension as granted by the Board of Pension Commissioners less a fair deduction for maintenance cost in the case of those pensioners whose pensions are sufficiently high to enable deduction to be made without personal hardship to the man and his dependents."

The class of pensioners who would appear to have a first claim on the department are those with a pensionable disability of 20 per cent and upwards. It is, therefore, considered that the case would be fully met were provision made for the care and maintenance of such pensioners.

At the present time the Department is operating hospitals at Halifax, St. John, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver, where there are available beds, some of which might be set aside for those men for the

purposes of quarters and maintenances and, if necessary, treatment.

The minister, therefore, recommends that the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment be authorized to put into effect the following regulations:—

1. The term "pensioner" as used herein means a former member of the Canadian forces or a former member of the Imperial or Allied forces who was a pre-war resident of Canada who is in receipt of or is entitled to a pension of not less than 20 per cent, or other allowances of equal value, payable by or through the Board of Pension Commissioners or the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment in respect of a disability resulting from injury or disease or an aggravation thereof attributable to or incurred or aggravated during service in the Great War and who does not require therefor active hospitalization.

2. The department may, at its discretion, provide quarters and maintenance, and when necessary medical treatment in a departmental institution for any indigent pensioner whose pensionable disability though not requiring active hospitalization or whose non-service disability added to his pensionable disability prevents him permanently from obtaining or continuing remunerative work and thereby earning sufficient to maintain himself and who as a result of these con-

ditions has or will become a public charge.

3. On the admission of a pensioner to a departmental institution, partial cost of his maintenance up to forty dollars (\$40) per month may, at the discretion of the Board of Pension Commissioners and the Department be paid to the department from pension or any other moneys to which the said pensioner may be entitled provided that such payment to the department shall not be made from pension or other payments, payable to or in respect of his dependents. Of the sum so paid to the department, three dollars (\$3) per month shall be repaid to the said pensioner in order to provide comforts, etc., and seven dollars (\$7) per month shall be credited to him on the books of the department for the provision of such clothing as he may require.

The Committee concur in the foregoing recommendations and submit the

same for approval.

(Sgd.) E. J. LEMAIRE, Clerk of the Privy Council.

APPENDIX III

Order in Council P.C. 2161 dated the 18th December, 1924. Authority under which the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment may receive monies, &c. on behalf of ex-members of the Forces and may assume guardianship in certain cases.

His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the recommendation of the Acting Minister of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, and under the provisions of subsection 5 (2) (d) of chapter 67 of the Statutes of 1924, being an Act to amend the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Act, is pleased to make the following regulations and the same are hereby made and established accordingly:—

(1) The Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment is authorized to receive from any Department of the Government of Canada or any Provincial Government, or any person, any properties or monies held or payable on behalf of any persons or any properties or monies held or payable on behalf of the dependents of any such persons, whenever such persons are being or have been cared for under the provisions of the Department of Soldiers Civil Re-establishment Act, either by medical treatment or training. Such authority shall extend to any case where the person cared for is on the strength of the department for medical treatment or training or has died while on the strength of the department or having completed treatment or training has been discharged therefrom.

(2) A receipt given by the deputy minister or by an officer of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment duly authorized by the deputy minister for properties or monies received under the authority of the preceding regulation shall constitute a valid receipt and a full and complete discharge for any such

properties or monies received by the department.

(3) The deputy minister may and is hereby authorized to assume the guardianship of any insane person who is being or has been cared for under the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Act and as guardian to administer the properties or monies authorized to be received by him or his dependents as hereinbefore provided and the deputy minister may assume the guardianship of such person and perform the functions of such office without an order of the court or other formality, and any notification in writing to any person by him that he is guardian of any insane person shall be accepted as evidence of that fact.

(4) In any case where the deputy minister has assumed the guardianship of a former member of the Imperial forces who was a resident of Canada or of the United States on the 4th August, A.D. 1914, he may subject to the regulations of the British Ministry of Pensions elect whether the said former member of the Imperial forces and his dependents shall be granted or credited with allowances at British or Canadian rates in accordance with the agreement between the department and the British Ministry of Pensions, and any such election shall be binding upon such former member of the Imperial forces and upon his dependents.

(5) The department may retain any properties or monies which it has received on behalf of any insane person who has been cared for under the provisions of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Act, for such time as the deputy minister considers necessary or desirable, and the department furthermore may dispose of such properties or monies to such insane person or his dependents or as may be deemed expedient or may dispose of such properties

or monies to the estate of such person if deceased.

(6) "A former member of the forces" shall include any person who has served in any of the Naval, Military or Air forces of Canada or any person who may be granted treatment by the department under a reciprocal agreement between the department and the Government of any country outside the Dominion of Canada.

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